

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	§ Art Group: 3672
Hall, David R., et al.	§ Examiner: Coy, Nicole A
Serial No.: 10/711,596	§
Filed: September 28, 2004	§ Docket No.: 66.0077
For: Filter for a Drill String	§

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed February 2, 2007 for which the shortened – statutory period for response is set to expire on May 2, 2007. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: